

# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

*"Strive, Believe, Achieve"*

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## Our school Values

Honesty ~ Excellence ~ Respect ~ Resilience ~ Perseverance

Our Moral Purpose - Students will be able to choose a life that has meaning.

**Warracknabeal Secondary College is committed to child safety (Ministerial Order No. 870) and takes all reasonable steps to ensure that the safety of our students is paramount.**

*Term 2 Week 9  
22<sup>nd</sup> June,  
2017*

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

With just over a week to go there is still much to be done before a well-earned rest. Many students have been on work experience and completing exams, which have been followed by a number of major assessments due before the end of the term. I encourage everyone to keep up the hard work for the final week.

It was great to see the school community rally behind one of our families. The VCAL students organised a great bake sale that raised funds to support [#love4linc](#). It was well supported with donations of baked goodies from staff, students and families and those spending their money for a very important cause.

A key focus in 2017 has been to listen and respond to feedback from parents, students and staff to improve our reporting processes. This coincides with a statewide directive in the way the Department of Education has required schools to report student outcomes. As a result, the end of semester reports will be significantly different to how they have appeared in the past.

This is a short summary of the key changes:

- The statewide directive to report against the new mandated Victorian Curriculum Levels cannot be compared to previous AusVELS Year Levels because they are different measures. Students have not gone 'backwards' if they receive a lower level because they are not measuring the same thing.
- A to E grading has been removed for these reports.
- The 'Work Practices' and 'Strategies for Improvement' we have developed to compliment the standards are designed to provide an honest assessment about where a student is currently at in their application to their learning and what they need to work on in order to improve.
- Marks for classwork and assessments can be found on Edmodo. Please contact the school if you are unable to access ongoing reporting of class work and assessments.
- For VCE students, the exam result has been included on the report, as it is the most important indicator that will determine a Study Score and therefore ATAR in Year 12.

Full details of the changes will be included in a letter that will accompany the reports. We are very excited about this shift in reporting to reflect our values of *honesty* and *perseverance* – they will give every student the information and the strategies required to be able to achieve their personal best.

**Michael Briggs-Miller**  
Principal

## ACTING ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL – Heath Schulz

### Visit from former students

On Wednesday, Year 11 and 12 students were fortunate enough to hear from former students Bronson Christian and Jack Wilson. Both Bronson and Jack were able to give an insight to what university is like for them at Deakin (Geelong) and RMIT (Melbourne), the challenges they faced and some advice for excelling in the final year of VCE. Thank-you to both boys for giving up your time to support our current students.



### Senior school information evening

Thank-you to all the families and students who attended the senior school information evening on Monday night. Your presence was valued and will no doubt assist you in choosing a career pathway in the senior school. In addition, thank-you to the other families who have contacted me to arrange catch up sessions.

### Careers expo

A reminder that the Careers Expo will be held on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> of June. Students are asked to return their forms ASAP!

### Driver education

The Year 11's and 12's participated in a driving seminar this week. We trust that the students were able to take away a number of key messages to make them safer road users. Next week will see the Year 10's complete the Keys please.



### Bake Sale.

Congratulations to all VCAL students who successfully raised over \$400 for Linc Munro. An equally big congratulation's must go to the families that supported the cause by donating food and for staff and students for purchasing these delicious treats. What a great example of a community pulling together to support this great cause.

### Yr. 10 Melbourne trip.

A huge thank-you to Mrs Arnold-Wardle, Greg McKinnon and Ms Munroe for supervising this trip. From all reports and updates, it was an amazing experience and one that the students will remember for a long time. I encourage students to take these opportunities in future years.

### Heath Schulz

Acting Assistant Principal



## ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL – WHITNEY MUNROE

As the end of the term is nearing, we are wrapping up some of the great work in classes and across the school. Teachers are completing units, delivering their remaining assessments, and reporting on student learning this term. Students are consolidating their knowledge, reviewing and revising for assessments, and reflecting on their growth thus far. It has been a great term and we are so proud of the effort, learning, and growth that all of our students have experienced!

On Monday night, we welcomed a variety of students, families, friends, and staff to our Senior School Information Session. It was great to hear from one of our Year 12 students, Trent King, about his journey through secondary school and what he learned from the experience. Our staff discussed the variety of options available to students in senior school including VCE, VCAL, and VET. Feedback from the sessions was positive and students are already starting to think about their pathways for next year and beyond! We will continue to support students in their career aspirations through the Learning Pathways Class and our many staff members are always available if students want to talk through their ideas.

I am currently in Melbourne with our Year 10 students for the annual Melbourne trip. Today we are going to Etihad Stadium and the Melbourne Star. Tomorrow, our Year 10s will be visiting the physics department at Melbourne University to take a tour of the lab and talk to one of the students who is currently pursuing his PhD. We will also be going to the law department to hear from a law professor about the opportunities in his field. It's been a great (and busy) week so far and students will be returning home exhausted!

### Whitney Munroe

Assistant Principal of Middle School

#### **From the Office:**

If your child requires bus travel after school, please send a note to the office or see the bus coordinator Mr J Foley at the beginning of that day. The note should include the name of student, date and location of travel and bus name. Thanks



Could we please remind all students that it is important to follow through with a commitment to attend a camp or excursion. If for some reason you are unable to attend, you need to notify the teacher in charge at your earliest convenience. Last minute withdrawals have a huge impact on cost of travel, booking of activities, attending staff, amongst other factors. If you withdraw from an excursion or camp with minimal notice, you may still be required to pay part or all of the cost.

**Fees:** Could we ask that School Fees for Semester 1 please be paid as soon as possible. If you are having any trouble with payments please come see the ladies in the office.

## Uniform Donations

A call out to any families that may have any unused/second hand uniforms hiding away at home that you would like to donate to WSC would be greatly appreciated. Please drop off donated uniforms to the school office.

### Jayne Shannon

Uniform Co-ordinator





## **YOUNG ACHIEVER AWARDS**

### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**



Currently, families are posted invites to attend the General Assembly when students are to receive Bronze, Silver and Gold Awards. Please note that as from the start of Term 3, the way in which families will be invited **will change from mail to email only**.

To ensure that you continue to receive invitations to attend these occasions, please confirm that the administration office has your email address. Please also contact the office if no email address is available so that an alternate form of notification can be arranged.

Thank you to all families who attend our assemblies and help celebrate our student achievements. A reminder that all families are invited to attend any of our General Assemblies which are held every third Monday in the College Hall at 8:55am.

Thank you for your support with saving a lot of paper, envelopes and stamps!

**Donna Winsall**

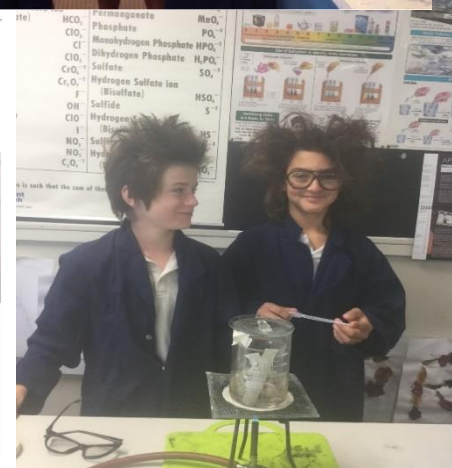
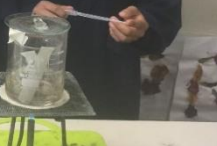
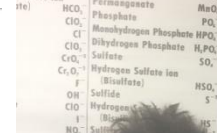
Young Achiever Awards

## **Year 7 Science**

Students in 7A have been completing the famous "Separating Mixtures" experiment. They have designed their own method to separate a mixture of sand, salt, iron, pasta and rocks into five separate components. Some groups even decided to give distillation a go with much success! Congratulations to all our mad scientists at WSC!

**Mrs Morgan**

Science teacher



# Canteen News

Thank you to everyone for your support and patronage of the Canteen at WSC.

Due to the CAREERS EXPO being held next Tuesday (involving WSC students in Years 9-12), the WSC Canteen WILL NOT be open on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June.

Regular canteen days on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June and Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June.



## WSC SCHOOL CANTEEN MNEU

**Available at RECESS & LUNCH (until sold out)**

- Hot Dog in bread - **\$2.50**
- Sausage Roll - **\$2.00**
- Steamed Dim Sims – **3 for \$2.50 (or \$1.00 each)**
- Milk Shakes (choc/caramel/strawberry) - **\$2.00**
- Fruit Salad (with ice-cream, yoghurt or plain) – **\$2.00**
- Popcorn - **\$1.00**
- Hot Chocolate/Cappuccino - **\$1.50**

**Order at RECESS for Lunch**      **(Sweet Chilli sauce/BBQ sauce/soy sauce/tomato sauce available)**

- Vegie Wrap (with lettuce, tomato/cheese) - **\$4.00**
- Chicken Wrap (with lettuce/tomato/cheese) - **\$4.00**
- Milk Shakes (choc/caramel/strawberry) – **\$2.00**
- Fruit Salad (with ice-cream, yoghurt or plain) – **\$2.00**
- Hot Dog in bread - **\$2.50**
- Sausage Roll - **\$2.00**
- Steamed Dim Sims – **3 for \$2.50 (or \$1.00 each)**
- Hot Chocolate/Cappuccino - **\$1.50**
- Cup-A-Soup - **\$1.50**

**PLEASE REMEMBER** – If you bring your own mug/cup when you purchase hot drinks/Cup-A-Soup, you will receive a **FREE BAG OF POPCORN**.

**Julie Pearson**

Canteen Supervisor

**Absence Hotline** - **5398 1433** Or email

Charmaine – Mon, Tues and Fri - [wilson.charmaine.m@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:wilson.charmaine.m@edumail.vic.gov.au)

Chelsea – Wed and Thurs - [smith.chelsea.r@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:smith.chelsea.r@edumail.vic.gov.au)

Please notify the school by 12 noon on the day of the absence.

## *GREATER WESTERN REGION CROSS COUNTRY*



On Monday, June 5th, seven of our students had an early start to the day and made their way south to Warrnambool to compete in the Greater Western Region Cross Country at their Deakin University campus. Dylan Watts, Aiden Keys, Lachlan Golder, Charlie Penny, Dane Stewart, Lachlan Stewart and Jayden Smith all did a fantastic job representing the school at this level. Weather conditions were adequate early on but as the day went on, the heavens opened and the track became wet and muddy for all competitors. Well done to Mr Shannon for rounding these troops up to come to Warrnambool and run against some of the best athletes in their age group in the entire western region, and driving the bus too in very drizzly conditions.

Sports are now finished for Term 2, and will resume again during Term 3.

### **Term 3 sports include:**

- Greater Western Region Hockey (Tuesday August 1 @ Dimboola)
- Black Ranges Year 7 Basketball (Tuesday August 15 @ Ararat)
- Black Ranges Year 8 Basketball (Wednesday August 16 @ Ararat)
- Greater Western Region Athletics (Monday September 18 @ Ballarat)\*
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\* Those who achieved a first place result (or top two finish in 800m/1500m) at the Black Ranges Athletics carnival in Stawell earlier are eligible to compete at this carnival

Results for GWR Cross Country are below:

Dylan Watts (13 y.o)	70 <sup>th</sup> /81 competitors
Aiden Keys (14 y.o)	60 <sup>th</sup> /67 competitors
Lachlan Stewart (15 y.o)	18 <sup>th</sup> /73 competitors
Dane Stewart	28 <sup>th</sup> /" "
Charlie Penny	43 <sup>rd</sup> /" "
Lachlan Golder	44 <sup>th</sup> /" "
Jayden Smith (16 y.o)	46 <sup>th</sup> /49 competitors

If you are interested in taking part in these upcoming events, please respond to the Edmodo post for that particular sport by THURSDAY JUNE 29 (SECOND LAST DAY OF TERM 2).

**Will Richardson**  
Sports Assistant

[Like us on Facebook.](#)



We are up to 846 LIKES on the Warracknabeal Secondary College Facebook page. If you haven't already "liked" our page make, sure you do so you can get updates on what's happening around the school.

# Game of Tiaras News

The Game of Tiaras cast ran a BBQ at the Warracknabeal 150 year anniversary.

Thank you to all community members who bought a sausage, drink or baked good from our stall.

A special thanks to Jadye & Del Mills, Kiara Smith and Josiah Keam for their expert selling skills on the day. Thanks to Mr. Pete Loy for helping set up the BBQ on the day. And Thank you to Merrily Keam for assisting with the cooking.

We are continue our Fund Raising efforts with another BBQ at WSC on Thursday Week 11. Cast members will be selling sausages on Thursday at Lunch.

## **Sausages: \$2**

On Sunday the 26<sup>th</sup> of June Cast members & staff will be holding a working bee!



Staff & cast will be painting & constructing sets and completing a full rehearsal of the play. If there are any family/community members who would like to help out on the day, it would be much appreciated!

**Natalie Gordon**

*Game of Tiaras Director.*



# Careers Report

## RMIT – Laboratory Visits

In this July's school holidays, RMIT is offering students in years 10, 11 and 12 the opportunity to go behind the scenes at a medical laboratory in one of Melbourne's major hospitals, including the Royal Children's Hospital and Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre.



Students can find out what really happens with blood tests and other areas of pathology, including clinical biochemistry, hematology, blood banking, medical microbiology, virology, and anatomical pathology.

Tours will run from the 3rd - 7th July.

Students will get to see whether a career as a medical scientist might be right for them. Tours are free, but students must register, as places are limited.

Either google: RMIT laboratory visits or go to:

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/rmit-medical-laboratory-visits-2017-tickets-35254995641>

## **Job Opportunities**

### **Light Vehicle Mechanic Apprenticeship**

Skillinvest are seeking expressions of interest on behalf of a well established business in Warracknabeal for an apprentice light vehicle mechanic.

The position requires a highly motivated person who is keen to work in a team environment in this industry.

Duties may include:

- Service & Repair the mechanical parts of motor vehicles such as engines, transmissions (clutch, gear box) and suspension systems
- Discover faults, listen to engines, fit & operate special test equipment & test drive faults
- Repair, replace worn or faulty parts, referring to manual if necessary
- Reassemble, test, clean & adjust repaired or replaced parts or assemblies, using various instruments to make sure they are working properly & putting them back into vehicle
- Establish relationships with customers
- Work effectively with others

This is an excellent opportunity and ideally, the successful applicant will possess the following attributes:

- A sound mechanical aptitude
- Genuine desire to start an automotive apprenticeship
- Applicants should also demonstrate a strong commitment to customer service and pride of work

For further details, please contact Kate Clark on (03) 5497 1821.

**TO APPLY: Written applications including a resume and cover letter to be submitted via our website**

[www.skillinvest.com.au](http://www.skillinvest.com.au) by 5pm Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2017.

### **Certificate 3 in Refrigeration & Air Conditioning Apprenticeship**

Skillinvest is currently recruiting on behalf of Wades Gas & Paint, for a person keen to commence an apprenticeship as a Refrigeration / Air-Conditioning Mechanic. This position is Horsham based and represents an excellent opportunity for a self motivated person wishing to commence a career within the industry. Ideally, the successful applicant will possess the following attributes:

- Sound mechanical / electrical aptitude
- The ability to work as part of a team
- Reliable and responsible attitude
- The ability to follow instructions
- Good communication skills
- Drivers license preferred



Applicants should also demonstrate a strong commitment to customer service and have pride of work. If you believe you have the attributes required to succeed in this apprenticeship, we'd like to hear from you. For further details please contact Shane Cross on 0418 564 890.

TO APPLY: Written applications including a resume and cover letter to be submitted via the website [www.skillinvest.com.au](http://www.skillinvest.com.au) by 5pm Friday 7th July.

#### **Apprentice (Diesel Agricultural Mechanic)**

Skillinvest are seeking expressions of interest on behalf of a well established Farm Machinery business based in Birchip. The successful candidate will study Certificate III in Agricultural Mechanical Technology.

This position represents an excellent opportunity for a self motivated person wishing to commence a career within the automotive industry. The successful applicant ideally should possess the following attributes:-

- Sound mechanical aptitude;
- Ability to problem solve;
- Work in a team environment with a friendly and positive "can do" attitude;
- Reliable, honest, trustworthy and punctual at all times;
- Commitment to completing an apprenticeship;
- Eager to learn and follow instructions;
- Ability to demonstrate customer service values;
- Driver's licence would be an advantage.

All enquiries are welcome and for more information please call Kate Clark on (03) 5497 1821.

**TO APPLY: Written applications including a resume and cover letter to be submitted via our website [www.skillinvest.com.au](http://www.skillinvest.com.au) by 5pm Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2017.**

#### **Insurance Broking Traineeship**

Skillinvest, on behalf of a well established Horsham business, are seeking a keenly interested person wishing to commence and develop a career in the Insurance industry. The position represents an excellent opportunity to join a leading insurance broking firm with a reputation for outstanding customer service. Ideally, the successful applicant should possess the following attributes:

- Commitment to outstanding customer service
- Good computer knowledge
- Good communication and organisation skills
- Ability to follow direction and to prioritise work

If you are committed to customer service, have a responsible attitude and are willing to work as part of a team, we would like to hear from you.

For further details please contact Chris Perry on 0419 312 293.

TO APPLY: Written applications including a resume and cover letter to be forwarded to Chris Perry at Skillinvest, 15-17 Dimboola Road, Horsham 3400 or apply online at [www.skillinvest.com.au](http://www.skillinvest.com.au) by 5pm Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July.



**Tuesday June 27<sup>th</sup>**  
**Wimmera Events Centre**  
**Longerenong**  
**9:30am – 2:00pm**

***A reminder for students to return their Careers Expo permission forms to the office ASAP.***

## MINYIP SWIMMING POOL COMMITTEE INC.

Inc. No. A0001043C

# LIFEGUARD POSITIONS

**Season 2017/18**

Casual employment opportunity from December – February 2018  
Applicants will be offered financial support for lifeguard and update training.  
Applicants are responsible for their own First Aid courses.

First Aid requirement: HLTAID003 (Level 2)

Applicants must be a minimum of 16 years of age.

For further information or a position description, please contact the Secretary, Gina Gellion

Phone 0418 857 249 or email [ginaross5@bigpond.com](mailto:ginaross5@bigpond.com)

Applications can be forwarded to Gina Gellion, Secretary, Minyip Swimming Pool Committee,

3 Mill Street Minyip, 3392 or emailed to [ginaross5@bigpond.com](mailto:ginaross5@bigpond.com)

Applications close Friday September 1, 2017



## First Year Apprentice - Certificate III Sports Turf Management

Horsham & District Racing Club currently has an exciting position available for someone wanting to pursue a career in the Turf Management Industry.

The successful applicant will be employed by HDRC, and will work onsite at the Horsham Racing Centre, which encompasses both the harness, and thoroughbred racing tracks

and facilities. Upon successful completion of required training, the applicant will be accredited in both racing codes.

Reporting to the Tracks & Facilities Manager, the purpose of this role will be to support the development and success of the Horsham Racing Centre, as part of the HDRC Tracks & Facilities Team.

Ideally, the successful applicant will possess the following attributes: Good communication and organisation skills; ability to work as a team member in an outdoor environment; Initiative and a responsible attitude; Ability to follow direction and to prioritise work; be available for flexible hours during peak times.

The successful applicant is required to attend necessary training at various times and locations as required.

For further details, please email [horsham@countryracing.com.au](mailto:horsham@countryracing.com.au)

TO APPLY: Please forward resume and cover letter to Club Manager, Lisa Inkster [horsham@countryracing.com.au](mailto:horsham@countryracing.com.au) by 5pm Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2017.

Horsham & District Racing Club is an equal opportunity employer.

### **DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES**

Horsham & District Racing Club is seeking an enthusiastic, committed person who enjoys outdoor work. The successful candidate will study Certificate 3 Sports Turf Management.

Ideally, the successful applicant will possess the following attributes: Good communication and organisation skills; ability to work as a team member; Initiative and a responsible attitude; Ability to follow direction and to prioritise work. For further details, please email [horsham@countryracing.com.au](mailto:horsham@countryracing.com.au)

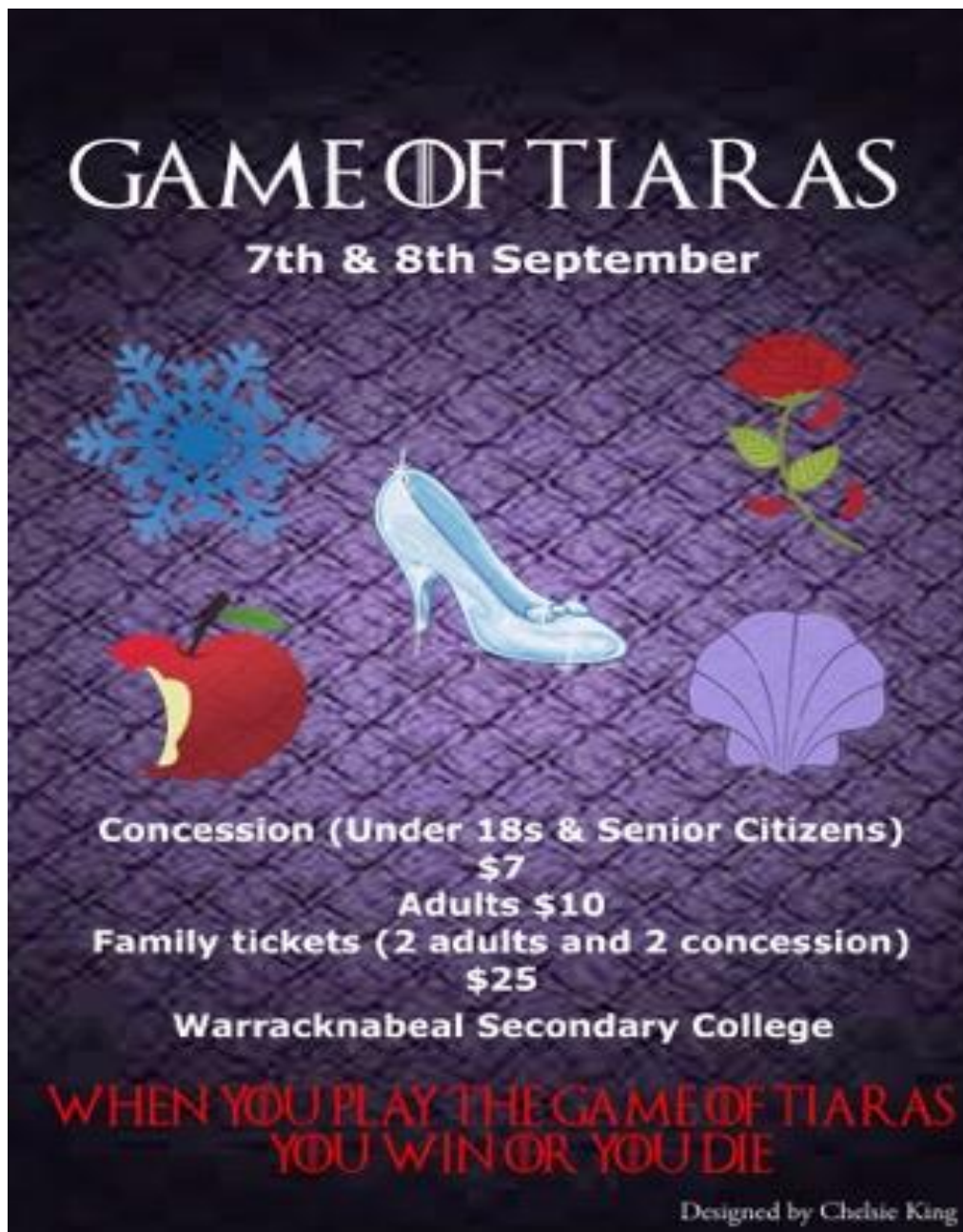
TO APPLY: Written applications including a resume and cover letter to be forwarded to

[horsham@countryracing.com.au](mailto:horsham@countryracing.com.au) or PO Box 358, HORSHAM, 3402 by 5pm Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2017. Horsham & District Racing Club is an equal opportunity employer.

### **Nicole Stewart**

Careers/VET Co-ordinator

Structured Workplace Learning



## Calendar of Events



<b>June</b>	26 <sup>th</sup>	General Assembly
	26 <sup>th</sup> – 30 <sup>th</sup>	Yr. 11 Work Experience
	27 <sup>th</sup>	Careers Expo Yr. 9-12
	30 <sup>th</sup>	ADF recruiting talk Yr. 9, 10 & 11
	30 <sup>th</sup>	Last day Term 2

# **Community Events**



Wimmera UnitingCare

## **Yarriambiack Parent Support Group**

Parents do you have a child aged 0 to 18 years of age, who has a disability or developmental delay?

Are you interested in meeting other parents who have a child or teenager with a disability or developmental delay?

Would you like to be involved in a small group of parents who get together for a cuppa, share stories and learn from each other?

Would you like information on a topic of interest to families of children with developmental delay or disability?

Are you interested in seeing any of the following happening at Warracknabeal? Then please come along to:



**Warrack Hot Bread. Friday June 23rd @ 11am**



To discuss with a Senior Disability Support Worker from Wimmera Uniting Care, about:

- The possibility of having transport provided for eligible children, to participate in the Wimmera Uniting Care school holiday programs, in Horsham.
- The future possibility of having some supported holiday activities at Warracknabeal.  
*(If you want to see these things happen, we need your support! We need enough children for these things to happen.)*
- And also opportunity to ask about the NDIS.

If you can't attend, but are interested in the above, please contact Julie on 53624042 or [julied@wuc.org.au](mailto:julied@wuc.org.au)

### **ALSO...**



**ALL** parents are invited to attend the new **Horsham Headspace Centre** on **Friday June 30<sup>th</sup>, @ 11am** for a tour and chat about the great support offered there. The Centre is located at the old Dick Smith building, 77 Hamilton Street, Horsham.

At Headspace, there is a range of professionals to support youth aged 12 – 25 who would like assistance with mental health, physical & sexual health, AOD support, employment and education support or just someone to talk to. There is support available for parents too.

Office Hours: Monday – Friday, 9am – 5pm

Phone: 03 5381 1543

Email: [info@headspacehorsham.org.au](mailto:info@headspacehorsham.org.au)



Wimmera and Southern Mallee

# Try VET Day 2017

Try any 2  
VET subjects  
to help decide which  
one to enrol in for  
2018.

Students  
must complete a  
registration form to be  
able to attend.

## Thursday 3 August

### A free lunch will be provided by the LLEN

See your VET Coordinator for a registration form or for more information

